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Examining Group 1756**

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) Group Art Unit: 1756  
Application No.: 10/075,619 )  
) Examiner: Kathleen DUDA  
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For: METHOD FOR FORMING A )  
PATTERN )

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action of March 23, 2004, with a period for response  
extending through June 23, 2004, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's reconsideration  
in view of remarks that follow:

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.**